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In re Application of)
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For : THIN, MESHY POROUS BODY AND)
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE)
POROUS BODY)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows:

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace page 1 of the specification with the following:

**THIN, MESHY POROUS BODY AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE
POROUS BODY**

Technical Field

The present invention relates to a thin meshy porous body which is made of a metal, a resin, or paper, and which may be used as a core member for a battery electrode, various filter members, or the like, and also to a method of manufacturing such a thin meshy porous body.

Background Art

Conventionally, as a thin meshy porous body which is made of a metal, and which is

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